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SERIOUS ACCIDENT ON SANTA FE LAST MONDAY

East Bound Passenger Train Leaves the Track 17 Miles East of Trinidad—Several Passengers Injured. Three Seriously.

From the Raton Range.

Eastbound passenger train No. 8 on the Santa Fe was wrecked by spreading rails at Earl station, seventeen miles east of Trinidad, shortly after 9 o'clock Monday morning and as a result three passengers were seriously injured and several others slightly hurt.

There were several Raton people on the train, but none of them were injured so far as could be learned. Charles DeVore, of Pueblo, the well known ball player of that city, who played with Raton in the game here last Sunday, was a passenger on the train and was reported among the injured, sustaining cuts about the head. He was able to proceed to his home, however, several hours later.

Recent rains caused the track to give way beneath the engine and the baggage car and smoker received the most damage. Practically all the injured were in the smoker.

As soon as word was received of the accident, wrecking trains were dispatched to the scene from Trinidad and Raton, accompanied by physicians from the former city. Those seriously hurt were brought to the Sisters' hospital in Trinidad, while the slightly injured were able to continue on their journey later.

It was late last evening when the track was cleared. Trains Nos. 7 and 9, westbound, due in Raton at 1:35 and 3:30 p. m. respectively, did not arrive until 6 a. m. and 10 a. m. Tuesday, having been detoured via Pueblo to Trinidad over the Colorado & Southern tracks.

mittees are leaving nothing undone to have all the arrangements as nearly perfect as possible, so that the various events will take place with the least possible confusion.

REDUCED THE RATES

From the Raton Range.

The Fourth of July committee on transportation has succeeded in making arrangements with the railroads centering in Raton for reduced rates in connection with the celebration to be given here on that day.

The Santa Fe has granted one fare for the round trip from all points in New Mexico and from Trinidad, Colo. The St. Louis, Rocky Mountain & Pacific railroad company has also granted the same rate from all points on its system. This fact will no doubt result in bringing a large number of people here to witness the sports and festivities incident to the celebration of the national holiday.

The printing committee has received the large display posters and the same are being posted throughout this section. If the celebration is not well advertised among the residents of this portion of the territory and in Trinidad, it will not be the fault of committee.

The grounds east of the Santa Fe depot are being put in condition for the horse races, etc., that are to take place in the afternoon and will be in first class condition by the Fourth.

The members of the various com-

Springer Boy Gets Scholarship.

Manuel F. Salazar of Springer, son of M. M. Salazar of that place, has been appointed by Representative H. C. Abbott to a four year course in the Territorial Normal University at Las Vegas. This is a free scholarship and in addition to the free tuition for four years, the appointment carries with it books, supplies and board at the expense of the territory and is a good opportunity for a person desiring to obtain a higher education.

The young man will enter upon his school duties in the fall.

Acquire Toll Lines.

The Colorado Telephone company has turned over its toll lines from Raton to Dawson and Cimarron to the St. Louis, Rocky Mountain & Pacific railroad company, the arrangement taking effect last Friday.

Connections are now established with Ute Park and the line from there to Taos will be opened in a few days.

The lines are now owned and controlled by the railroad company, but anyone desiring to talk with these points can do so the same as before.

The Cimarron Townsite company has started the construction work on their gravel sidewalks on the north side, which when completed, will give Cimarron quite a metropolitan appearance.

CASHING IN.

A TRAMP BALLAD.

(By Harry H. Kemp in "The Railroad Man's Magazine.")

I caught a glimpse of his frightened face as he fell between the cars, And I made a jump for the cinder path, and saw all kinds of stars. I rolled like a log in a cataract, then, staggering to my feet, I sat me down on a railroad tie, and my nerve was gone complete.

The two red lights of the little caboose shrank into the distant night, And I thanked the dark for covering up the Terror from my sight. Dim woodlands haunted the high-banked track like black clouds dropped from the sky.

And over my head a screech owl whirled with a wild and dismal cry. And I thanked the dark for covering up the Terror from my sight. And said to the operator there, "A tramp fell under a freight."

Oh, my chum cashed in like a feeble match quenched by a gust of wind. Or as a flickering fire goes out which hobbles leave behind.

No more he'll stretch across the rods or cling to the cramped brake-beam,

A thrill to the lure of the unseen land and the fascination of steam. For they've laid him away in a rough pine box on the slope of a barren hill—

But out across the universe his spirit wanders still.

He has mooched it on from star to star, and from sun to flaming sun; He has taken the planets like strings of beads and slipped them one by one

Along the cord of memory, for he who knew the earth

Must learn the universe as well on the morn of his second birth;

And when he kneels before the throne, his hunger for seeing filled,

And the grand antiponies of the sky to hear his doom are stilled—

Prone there between the avenue of the flaming cherubim—

I know that the God who pardoned the thief will be merciful to him.

RATON WON INTERESTING GAME WITH DAWSON

Large Crowd Witnessed Home Team Defeat Coal Miners By Score of 7 to 1 Sunday Afternoon—Much Money Changed Hands.

From the Raton Range.

One of the most interesting ball games of the season was played here last Sunday afternoon between Dawson and Raton, the latter team winning by a score of 7 to 1. The attendance was large, the excursion train from Dawson bringing nearly four hundred people.

From the end of the first inning it was seen that Raton had the best of the game and in fact had it not been for a wild throw in the ninth inning, Dawson would have been entirely shut out of the game.

DeVore, pitcher for Raton, fainted in the fourth inning and was un-

conscious for a while, but later recovered and finished out the game in right field. Fisher pitched the balance of the game and was in his usual excellent form.

A feature of the game was Smart of Dawson, catching a line drive and doubling a man on first. Sherry, Dawson's pitcher, who had been hailed as a wonder, failed to back up all that had been said concerning him.

Playing was somewhat late in starting, owing to a sudden shower, which, however, lasted but a short while, the game then being resumed.

The Dawson bunch were so con-

RICH STRIKE REPORTED FROM E'TOWN DISTRICT

18-Foot Vein of Gold Ore Discovered on Bob-Tail and Senate Claims That Assays \$30 to the Ton—Operations to Be Pushed.

Mr. T. F. Johns of Pittsburgh, Pa., one of the stockholders in the Smithfield Mining company who own valuable property in the Elizabeth-town mining district, passed through this city Wednesday. Among the properties owned by this company are the Bob-Tail and Senate Claims.

An 18-foot vein of gold ore, assaying \$30.00 to the ton has been extensively developed on these two claims and it is the intention of the Smithfield company to start operations on an extensive scale and ship the ore to the Pueblo smelter.

It is reported that this company is negotiating with the Maxwell Land Grant company for considerable adjacent ground and a tunnel from either Grouse or Anniseta gulches will be driven, cutting the Bob Tail and Senate at considerable depth, also encountering the North Star, Abraham

Lincoln and Heart of the World vein, all of which from present development indicate that numerous high grade ore veins are to be encountered in the proposed tunnel. The Smithfield company is composed of a number of Pittsburgh capitalists who have been aware of the value of their property for some time, but owing to the lack of transportation facilities, have delayed operations. Now that the St. L. R. M and P. railroad has reached Ute Park and is prepared to offer a very advantageous rate to the smelters, and that the wagon road from the Moreno Valley to Ute Park has been put in very excellent condition, the property can be made to pay a very good dividend. Mr. Johns expects to remain in the county for two months at least, and possibly until late in the fall to personally supervise the development that they have in prospect.

ident of winning that they came here with considerable money to put up on their favorites. As a result, however, at least \$500 came into the hands of the Raton backers, which fact was duly celebrated by the victors after the result.

Owing to a dispute in the seventh inning regarding a decision of Umpire Baldwin, the remainder of the game was umpired by Dr. Farley.

The fact that Raton has a bunch that is putting up a pretty good game of ball is beginning to be manifested around town and Captain Leason and his men deserve the support of all who take an interest in the national game. The local team has won every game played thus far this season.

While watching the contest, a foul ball struck a lad named Turner, living in East Raton, rendering him unconscious. Dr. Dryden, who was sitting beside the boy, gave all the assistance possible. The lad was later taken home by his father.

Raton Men Interested.

From the Raton Range.

Attorney H. M. Rodrick, of this city, representing himself and others, has become interested in the Silva mining property, up Placer creek, south of Red river. Mr. Rodrick spent several days on the property last week and is well pleased with the same and reports development work as progressing nicely.

The claim is reported to be rich in gold and shows signs of copper.

SECURES BALL PARK

From the Raton Range.

There has been some difficulty in getting base ball teams to come to Raton because of the inability to furnish them with a tract of land, properly fenced, with grandstand, etc.

After the Las Vegas team failed to make arrangements to play here, they wrote Hugo Seaberg of this city, hoping that he had some suggestion to offer that might still make their contemplated trip a success, but as there was no place where an admission could be charged for expenses, the trip had to be abandoned.

However, on Wednesday, Mr. Seaberg secured the consent of the Santa Fe railroad company to use a suitable tract of ground free of cost, for an indefinite period, with privilege of fencing, etc.

It is hoped that the Raton organizations will avail themselves of this opportunity of having suitable grounds close at home where everybody can walk over and see the attractions. It is also fortunate that the Santa Fe company have ground almost right in the heart of the city, so available. The more accessible a base ball field is, the more attractive it becomes.

Justice Court Briefs.

There has been considerable doing in the justice court this week and if business keeps up the village blacksmith will have to install some chairs and a few book shelves.

Monday and Tuesday court had to hold an evening session at the blacksmith shop of J. C. Wilson.

Monday evening the case of Stanley Chase vs Eugene Keep for the killing of a calf was proven to be a case of mistake throughout and plaintiff was found not guilty.

The next case to be heard was that of George Powell and Henry Wilson, two tramps who were held for attempting to destroy railroad property they attempting to burn a box car. Both men pleaded not guilty and were given \$25 and costs or thirty days in the county jail. Later another George Powell, who has a grading contract on the Cimarron & Northwestern, came in and paid the fine of both parties. They had been working for him and the men were released.

Tuesday the case of Clarence Haines for discharging firearms inside the city limits was brought up for hearing. Haines pleaded guilty to the charge and received the fine imposed, \$50 and costs, with a smile. This should be a lesson to some of the local "gun toters" to leave thir smokewagons at home in the future.

VEIN OF LEAD ORE THREE FEET WIDE DISCOVERED BY WORKMEN IN NEW TUNNEL

Important Find Made Thursday—Richard Cline, Mining Expert, After Examination of Property, Pronounced Find Most Valuable Discovery of Mineral Made In This County.

From the Raton Range.

A vein of lead ore three feet in thickness was discovered in the Raton pass on Thursday of this week. The ore was uncovered by the workmen, and the formation attracted the attention of the laborers in that portion of the tunnel and the word soon went out that a rich ore find had been made.

Much speculation was rife as to the value of the discovery, and the find itself was verified as of great value by Mr. Richard Cline, a mining man of wide experience in lead ores and who has for twenty years been familiar with the geology of this part of the country particularly, and who personally made an

investigation yesterday of the tunnel and vein.

Mr. Cline affirms the ore to be lead, and says the vein is three feet in thickness and considers it the most valuable discovery of mineral made in this county.

There has been numerous tales afloat from time to time, of the finding of lead ore in the various canons in the vicinity of Raton, but there has been no geological report up to the present time that has made mention of a possibility of ore deposition in this neighborhood and these tales were given slight credence in the past. Mr. Cline, states that the tunnel workings have encountered

granite. This seems incredible; however, it is by no means impossible. It is a well-known fact that the country in the neighborhood of the Raton pass has been considerably disturbed. Morley station, six miles south of Starkville and nearly eight miles north of Raton pass, has the same geological position which would indicate a considerable uplift in the direction of the Raton pass and that this would culminate in the exposure of the granite at the depth of the tunnel in the apex is not entirely impossible. However, the matter is being quietly investigated by parties eminently able to determine the truth of the matter

and information of a reliable nature will probably appear in our next issue.

With lead encountered at the depth of the new tunnel, Raton's future as an important CITY of the Southwest is assured, and those with the real progression of the city at heart will rejoice at such a prospect and foresee readily the great future that the development of such ore would materialize. This is the best news Raton has ever had and when the value of the find is fully established Colfax county will be the most desirable location in New Mexico, with Raton as an immediate objective point.

Want Fence Moved.

Considerable excitement has been created in the past few days regarding the moving of a certain fence in old town.

Last week a petition signed by the business men of the south side was handed to Justice of the Peace J. S. Wilson asking for the removal of the fence recently built around the Colgrove home, which it is said obstructs the public highway in that a person must go out into the street to get around the corner to the harness shop of John Livingston, the main complainant in the case.

Justice Wilson ordered the fence removed and a notice to that effect was served on Chas. Colgrove, Sr., who said the fence would be removed as ordered. The fence was not removed and the south side merchants would like to know the reason.

New Transfer Company.

Work will commence next week on the stable of the Cimarron Transfer company, which will be operated and owned by Alva Davis, formerly with the Urraca ranch. The building will be 40x75 feet and will be located west of the depot, facing the south. A general livery will be run in connection with the business. Some new horses and mountain rigs have already been purchased. This gives Cimarron a first-class up-to-date livery.